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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **MARUYAMA, et al.**

Serial No.: **09/577,932**

Group Art Unit: **2815**

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For. **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN ALIGNMENT MARK FORMED BY THE SAME MATERIAL WITH A METAL POST**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 13, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2002 for one month from January 22, 2003 to February 22, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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